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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S MESSAGE TO FOREIGN MINISTERS

REF: (A) STATE 174067 (B) HELSINKI 1550 (C) HELSINKI 1556

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED REFTEL (A), I DELIVERED SECRETARY'S MESSAGE TO FOREIGN MINISTER KARJALAINEN IN PERSON AT 4:15 PM LOCAL TIME SATURDAY, AUGUST 10. I HAD JUST RETURNED TO HELSINKI AT 1:30 PM THAT DAY, AND KARJALAINEN GRACIOUSLY RECEIVED ME AT HIS HOME, JUST BEFORE DEPARTING FOR A SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT AT HAPARANDA IN NORTHERN SWEDEN.

2. KARJALAINEN CAREFULLY READ THROUGH THE SECRETARY'S MESSAGE AND THEN EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR BOTH ITS CONTENTS AND FOR THE COURTESY. HE SAID THAT FINLAND WAS VERY HAPPY THAT THE SECRETARY WOULD BE STAYING ON AND THAT THERE WOULD BE NO GREAT CHANGES IN US FOREIGN POLICY. HE THEN ASKED ME TO CONVEY HIS CONGRATULATIONS TO SECRETARY KISSINGER ON THE OCCASION OF BEING "APPOINTED" SECRETARY OF STATE AGAIN.

3. WE ONLY HAD A BRIEF DISCUSSION. I MENTIONED TO KARJALAINEN THAT I HAD NOTED AND REPORTED HIS
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TV AND PRESS STATEMENTS ON THE CHANGE OF ADMIN-

ISTRATIONS (REFTELS B AND C). I GAVE
KARJALAINEN AN ORAL BACKGROUNDER OF PRESIDENT
FORD'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND STATEMENTS. KARJALAINEN
THEN BROUGHT UP HIS DESIRE FOR A SHORT BILATERAL
WITH THE SECRETARY AT THE 29TH UNGA (SEE SEPTTEL).
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